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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated September 12, 2008, setting a shortened threemonth statutory period for response to expire on December 12, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections in view of the hereincontained remarks. If any additional extension of time is necessary, this is an express request for any necessary extension of time and authorization to charge any required extension of time fee or any other fees which may be required to preserve the pendency of the present application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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